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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously Presented) A cartridge seal assembly, comprising:

a housing having a channel space formed therein to define an inner surface;

a bearing device bonded to said housing at the inner surface thereof and having at least one bearing surface; and

at least one seal removably joined to said housing, at least one of said at least one seal being disposed generally axially of at least part of said bearing device.

- 2. (Original) The cartridge seal assembly as recited in Claim 1, wherein said bearing device and/or at least one of said at least one seal being bonded to said housing.
 - 3. (Cancelled)
- 4. (Original) The cartridge seal assembly as recited in Claim 1, wherein the joining relationship between said bearing device and said housing being defined by a substantially gap-free interface.
- 5. (Original) The cartridge seal assembly as recited in Claim 1, wherein the joining interface between said housing and said bearing device being substantially free of extrusion gaps.
- 6. (Original) The cartridge seal assembly as recited in Claim 1, wherein said at least one seal further includes:
- a first generally annular seal disposed at one axial side of said bearing device, said first seal including at least one static sealing area and/or at least one dynamic sealing area.